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APPLICANT: Horan, et al.

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RE: PROCESS IMPROVEMENT FOR  
CONTINUOUS FOR ETHYL  
ACETATE PRODUCTION: BEFORE  
: EXAMINER: T. VICTOR OH

: UNIT: 1625

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450Applicant's Docket No. C-7197**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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